

# **BODY FLUIDS**

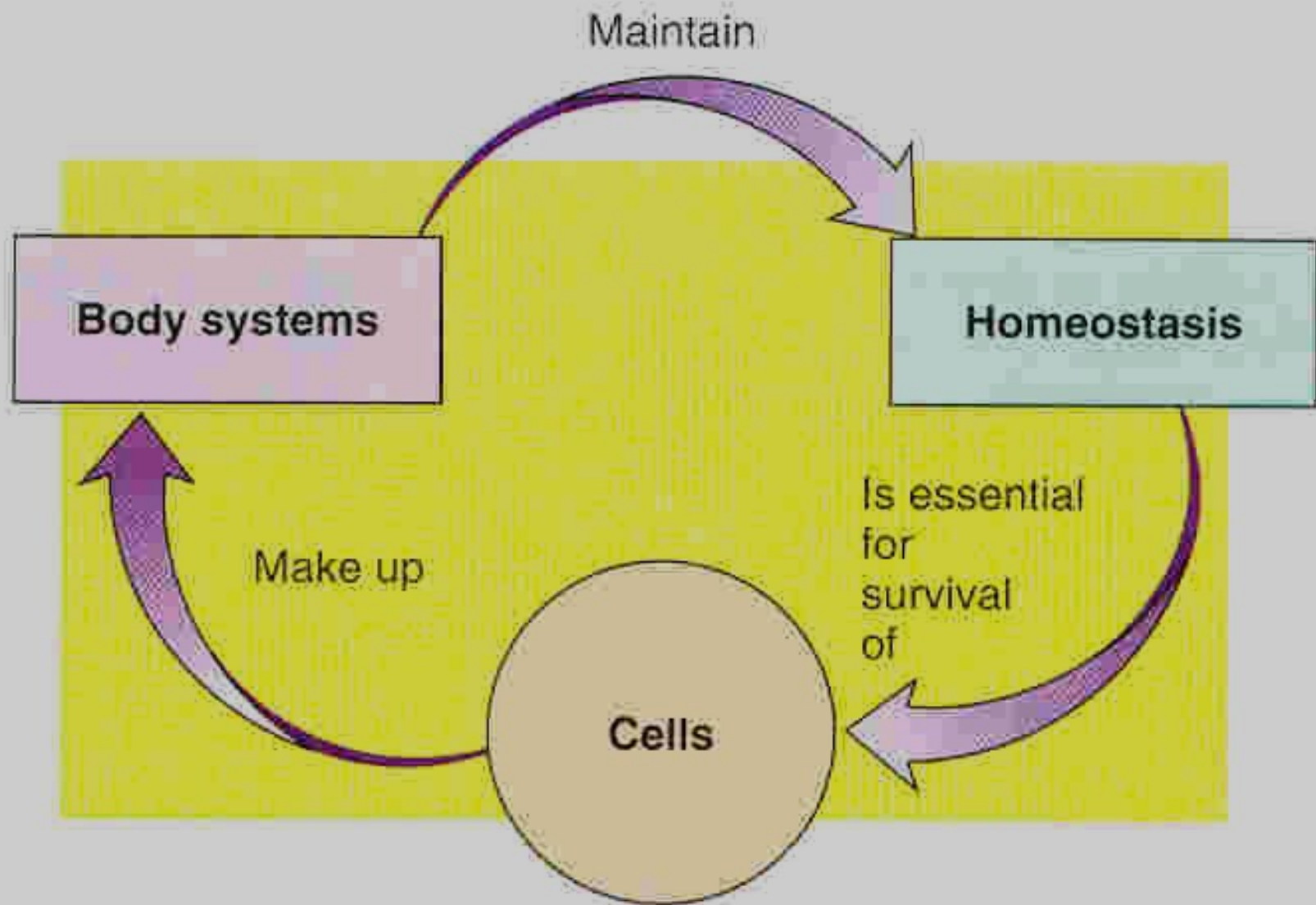
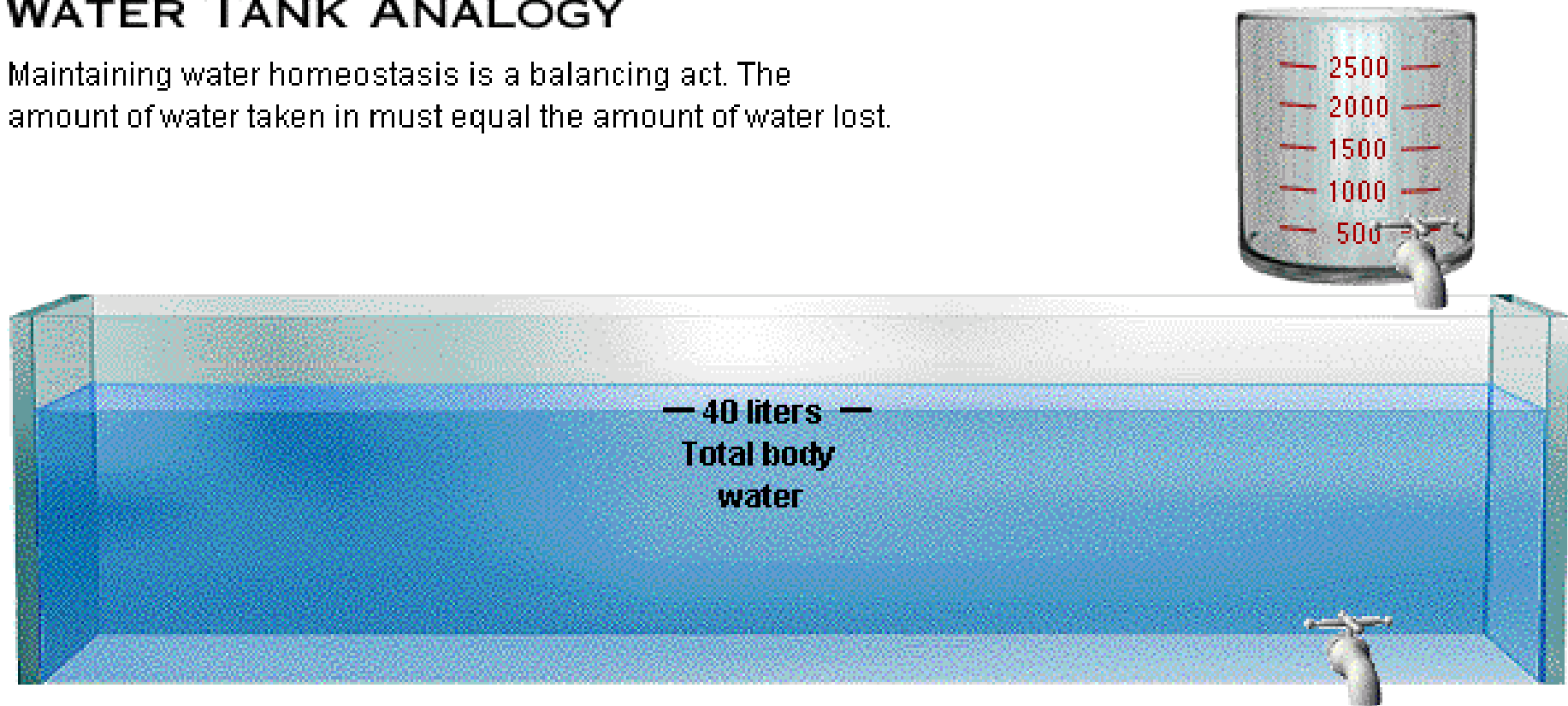


FIGURE 1-3

# WATER TANK ANALOGY

Maintaining water homeostasis is a balancing act. The amount of water taken in must equal the amount of water lost.

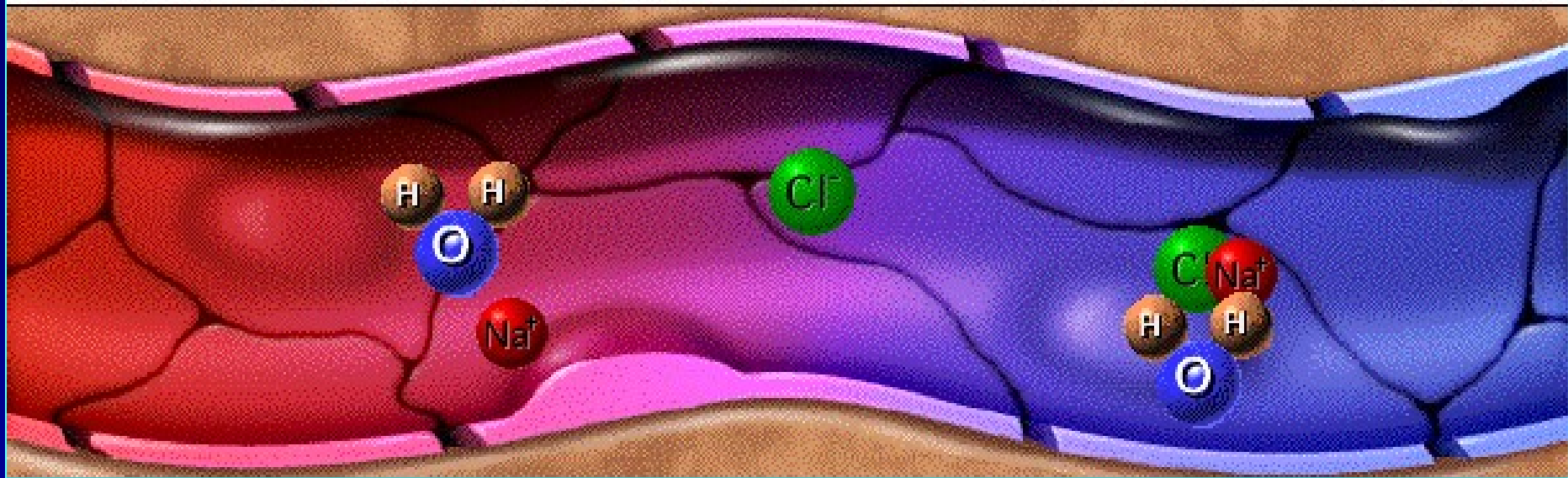


Water Intake	Water Output
▪ Food and drink: 2300 mL	▪ Kidneys: 1500 mL
▪ Cell metabolism: 200 mL	▪ Skin: 600 mL
	▪ Lungs: 300 mL
	▪ GI tract: 100 mL
▪ <b>Total:</b> 2500 mL	▪ <b>Total:</b> 2500 mL



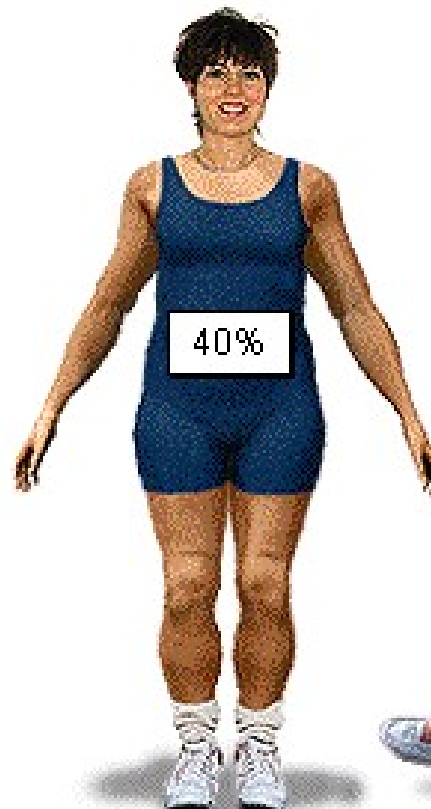
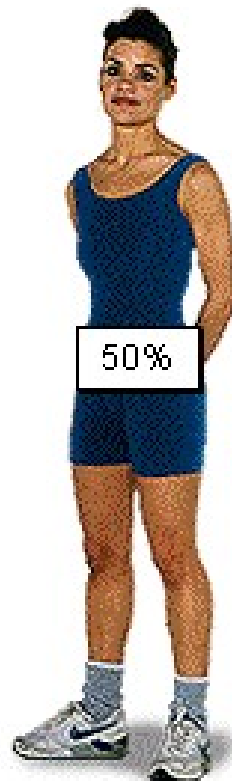
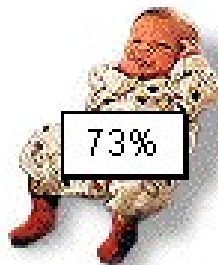
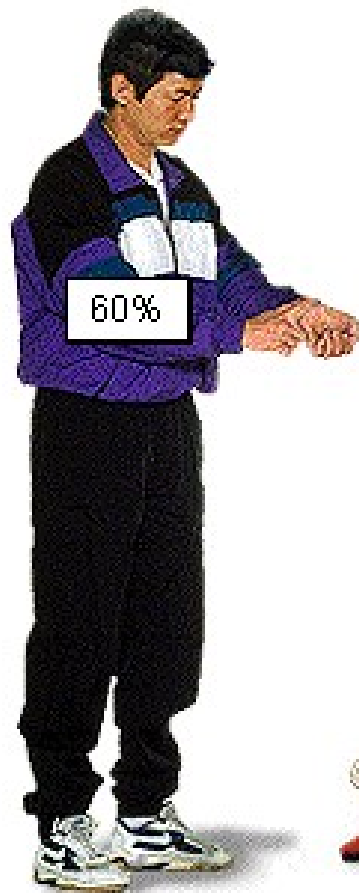
# Roles of Water

- Temperature regulation
- Protective cushion
- Lubricant
- Reactant
- Solvent
- Transport



# PERCENTAGE OF WATER IN THE BODY

Click each of the people below to determine the approximate percentage of water in their bodies.



In the average 70-kilogram adult human, the total body water is about 60 per cent of the body weight, or about 42 liters.

This percentage can change, depending on age, gender, and degree of obesity.

# FACTORS AFFECTING

## Total Body Water

- varies depending on body fat:
  - infant: 73%
  - male adult: 60%
  - female adult: 40-50%
  - effects of obesity
  - Old age 45%

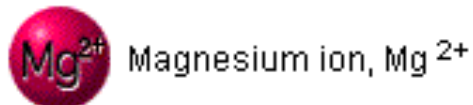
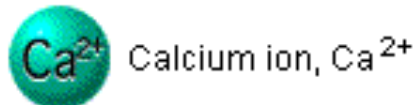
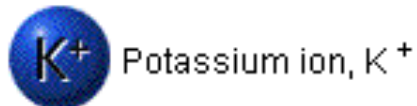
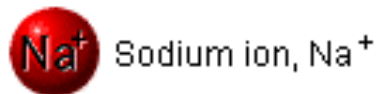
# COMPOSITION OF BODY FLUIDS

## ELECTROLYTES

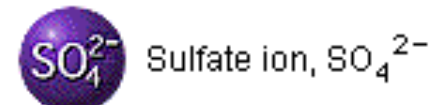
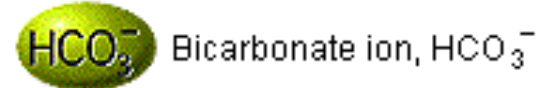
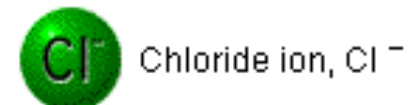
**Electrolytes** are charged particles (**ions**) that are dissolved in body fluids.

Electrolytes (Dissolved Ions)

Major Positive Ions (**Cations**)



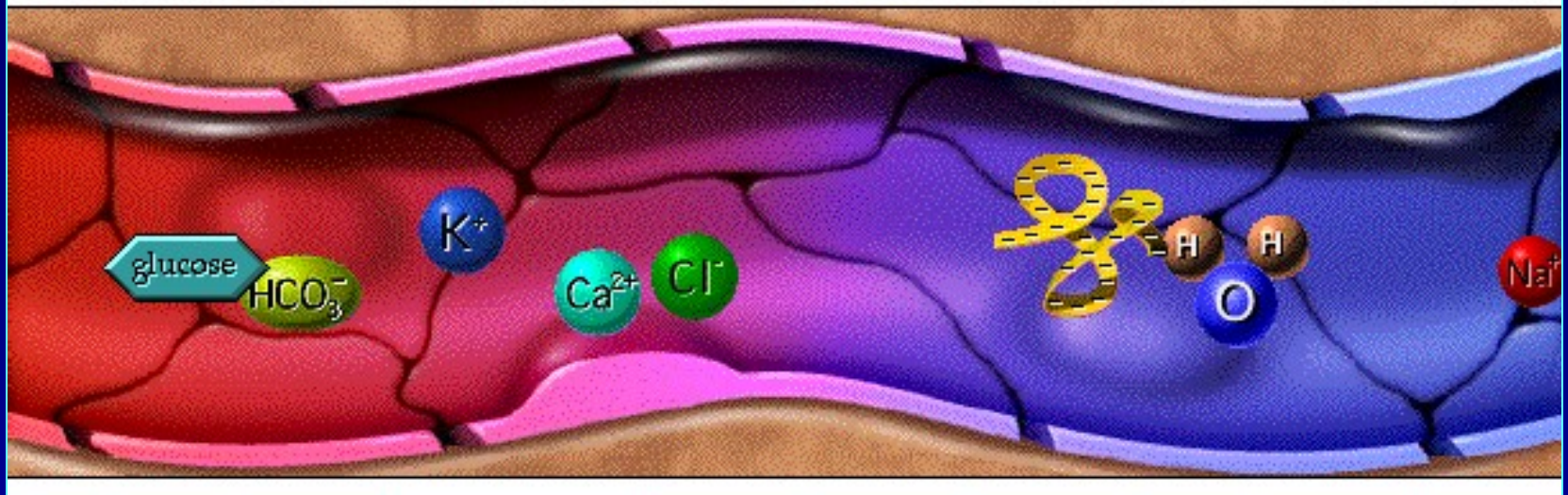
Major Negative Ions (**Anions**)





## COMPOSITION OF BODY FLUIDS

You are looking at **plasma**, a typical body fluid.



# COMPOSITION OF BODY FLUIDS

<b>CATIONS (mmol/l)</b>	<b>Plasma</b>	<b>Interstitial</b>	<b>Intracellular</b>
<b>Na</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>140</b>
<b>Ca</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Mg</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>ANIONS (mmol/l)</b>			
<b>Cl</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>HCO<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Protein</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>HPO<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>11</b>

# IMPORTANCE

- **Maintaining ECF volume is critical to maintaining blood pressure**
- **ECF osmolarity is of primary importance in long-term regulation of ECF volume**
  - **ECF osmolarity maintained mainly by NaCl balance:**
    - **intake: 10.5g/d**

# **FLUID COMPARTMENTS**

**EXTRA CELLUAR  
FLUID**

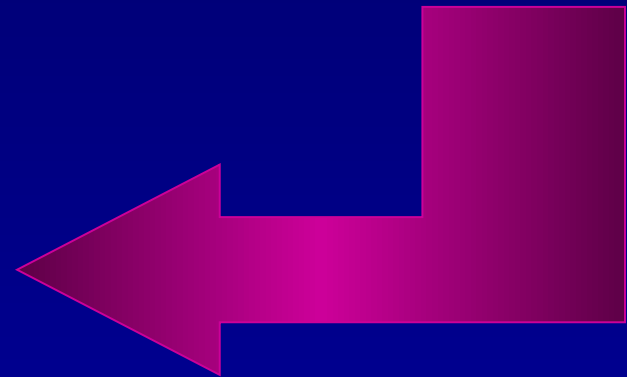
**INTRA CELLULAR  
FLUID**

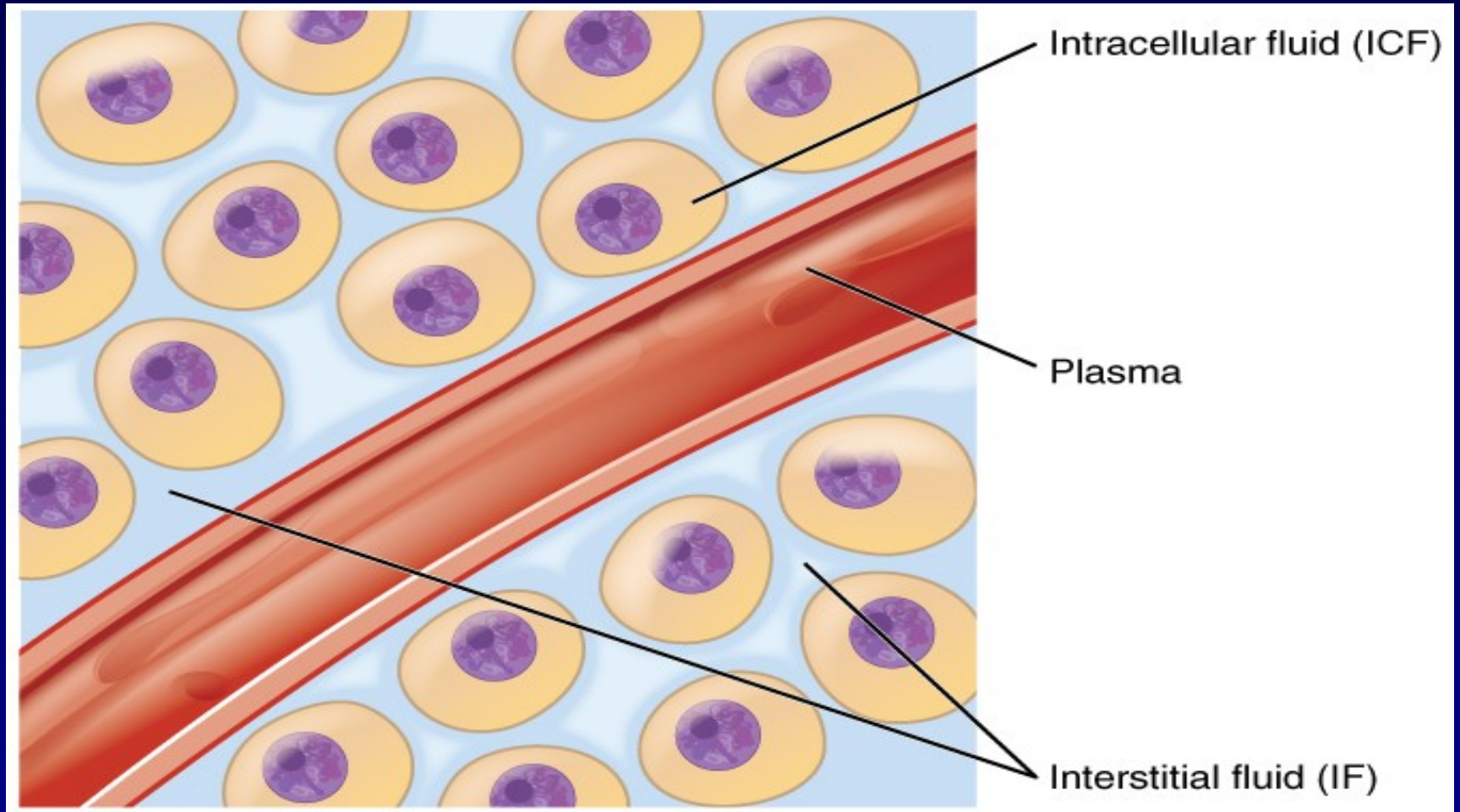
**PLASMA**

**INTERSTITIAL  
FLUID**

**TRANSCELLULAR  
FLUID**

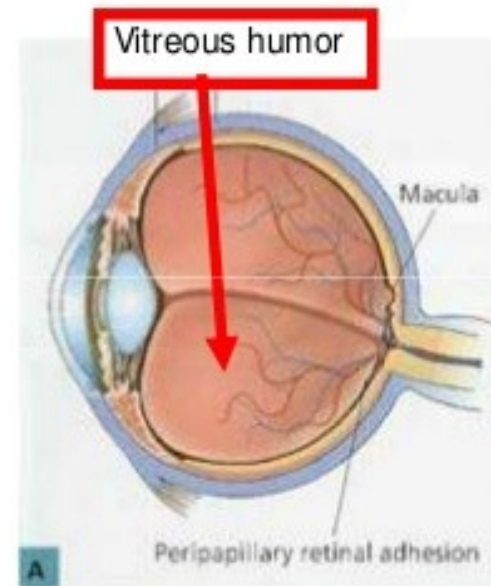
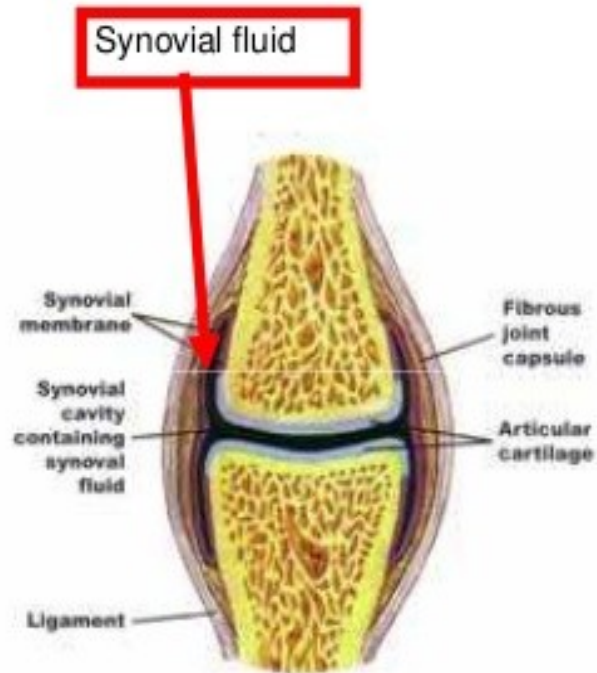
**CSF  
Intra ocular  
Pleural  
Peritoneal  
Synovial  
Digestive Secretions**





**Interstitial fluid** or **tissue fluid** is a solution that bathes and surrounds the tissue cells of multicellular animals. The interstitial fluid is found in the interstices- the spaces between cells (also known as the tissue spaces)

# Transcellular fluid



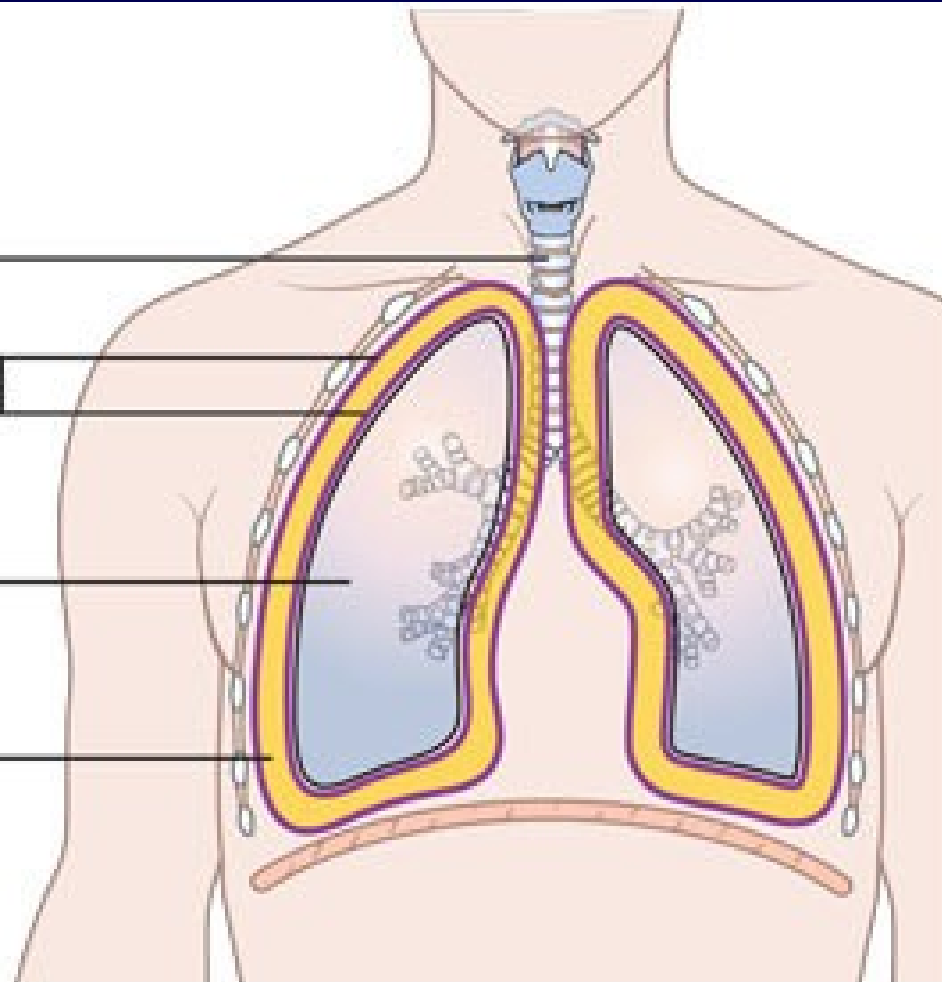


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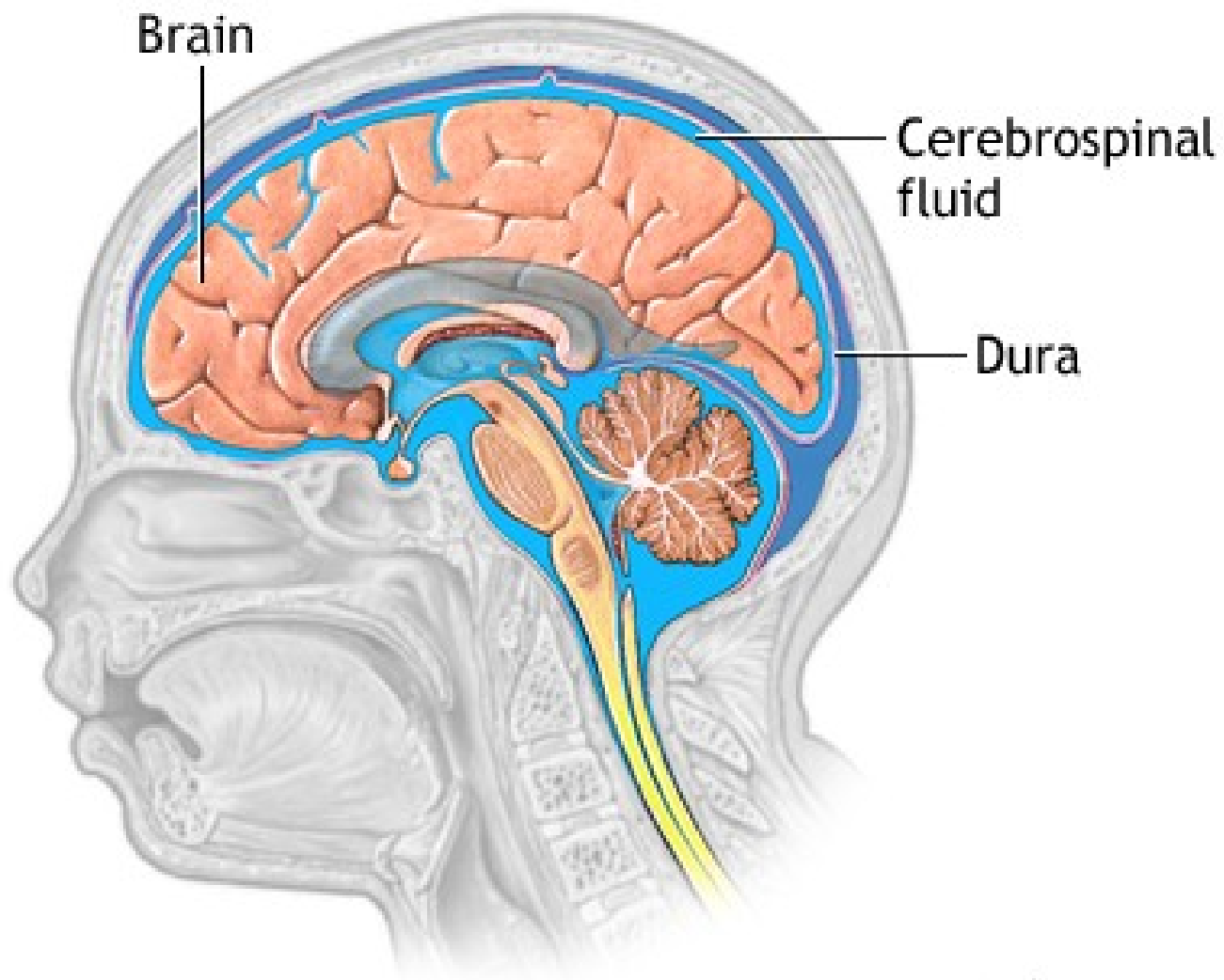
Pleura  
(lung lining)

Lung

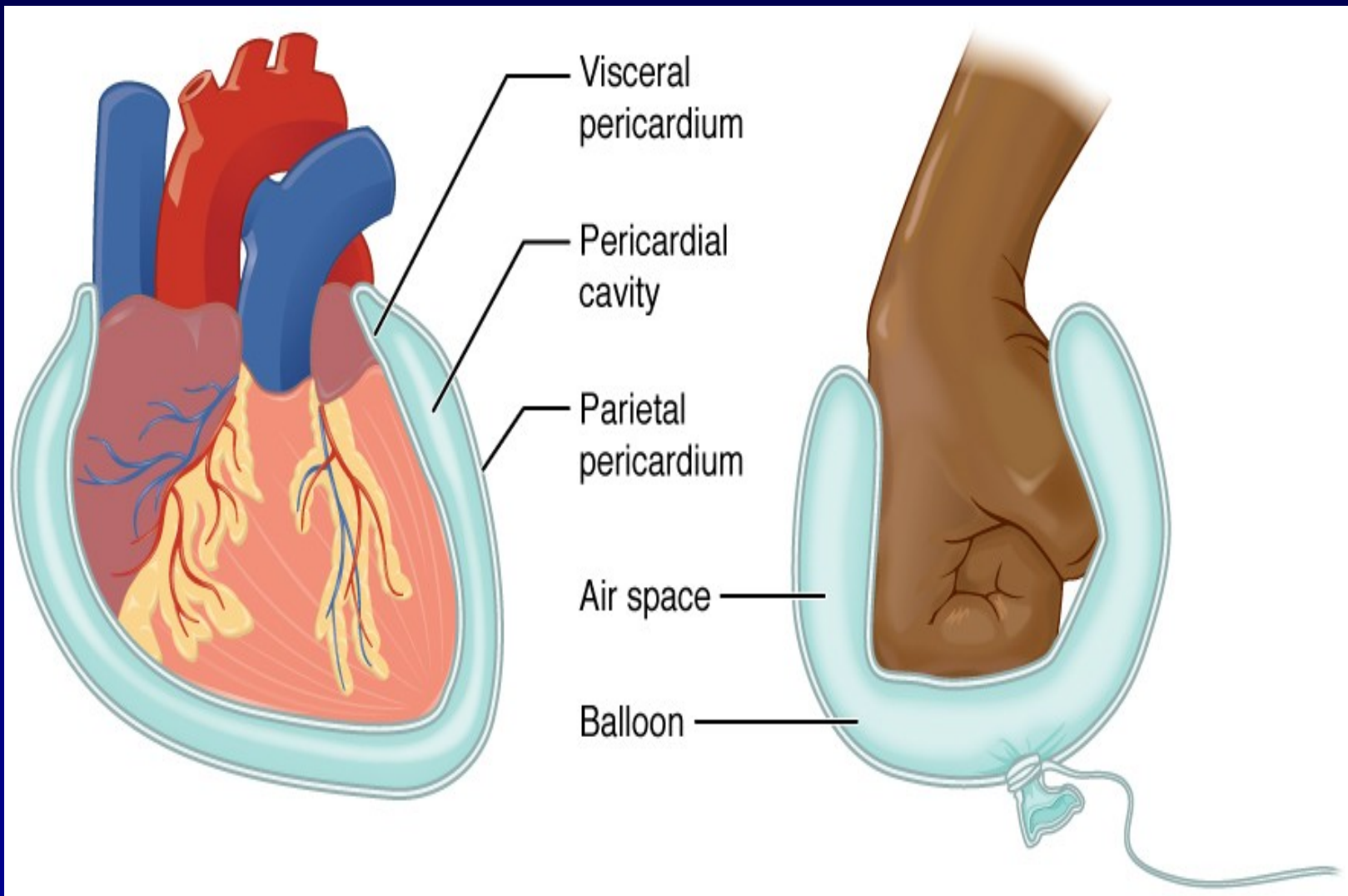
Pleural  
space



Cancer Research UK







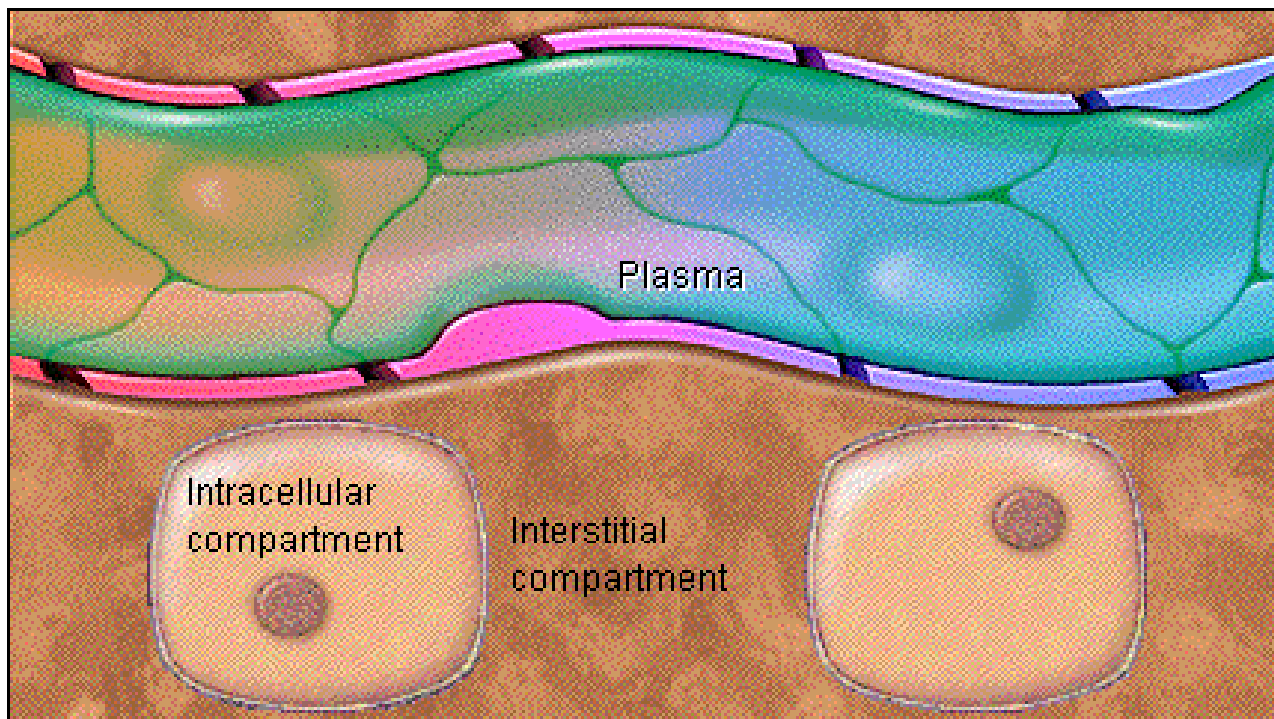
# FLUID COMPARTMENTS

The three major fluid compartments:

- **Intracellular fluid (ICF)** is the fluid within cells, also known as cytosol.
- **Extracellular fluid (ECF)** is the fluid found outside of cells.

There are two major kinds of extracellular fluid:

- **Interstitial fluid** is the fluid surrounding the cells.
- **Plasma** is the fluid component of blood.



## **Ionic Composition of Plasma and Interstitial Fluid Is Similar**

Because the plasma and interstitial fluid are separated only by highly permeable capillary membranes, their ionic composition is similar.

The most important difference between these two compartments is **the higher concentration of protein in the plasma**; because the capillaries have a low permeability to the plasma proteins, only small amounts of proteins are leaked into the

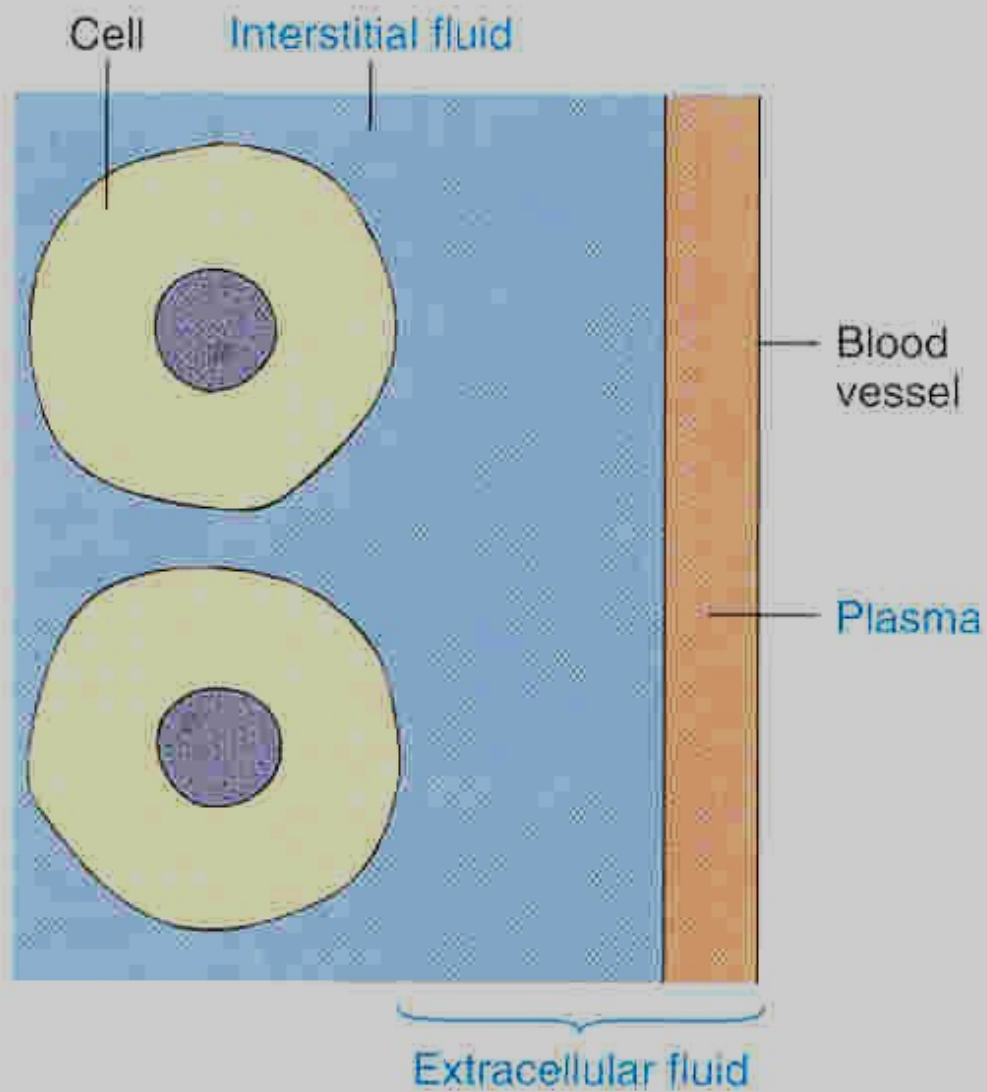
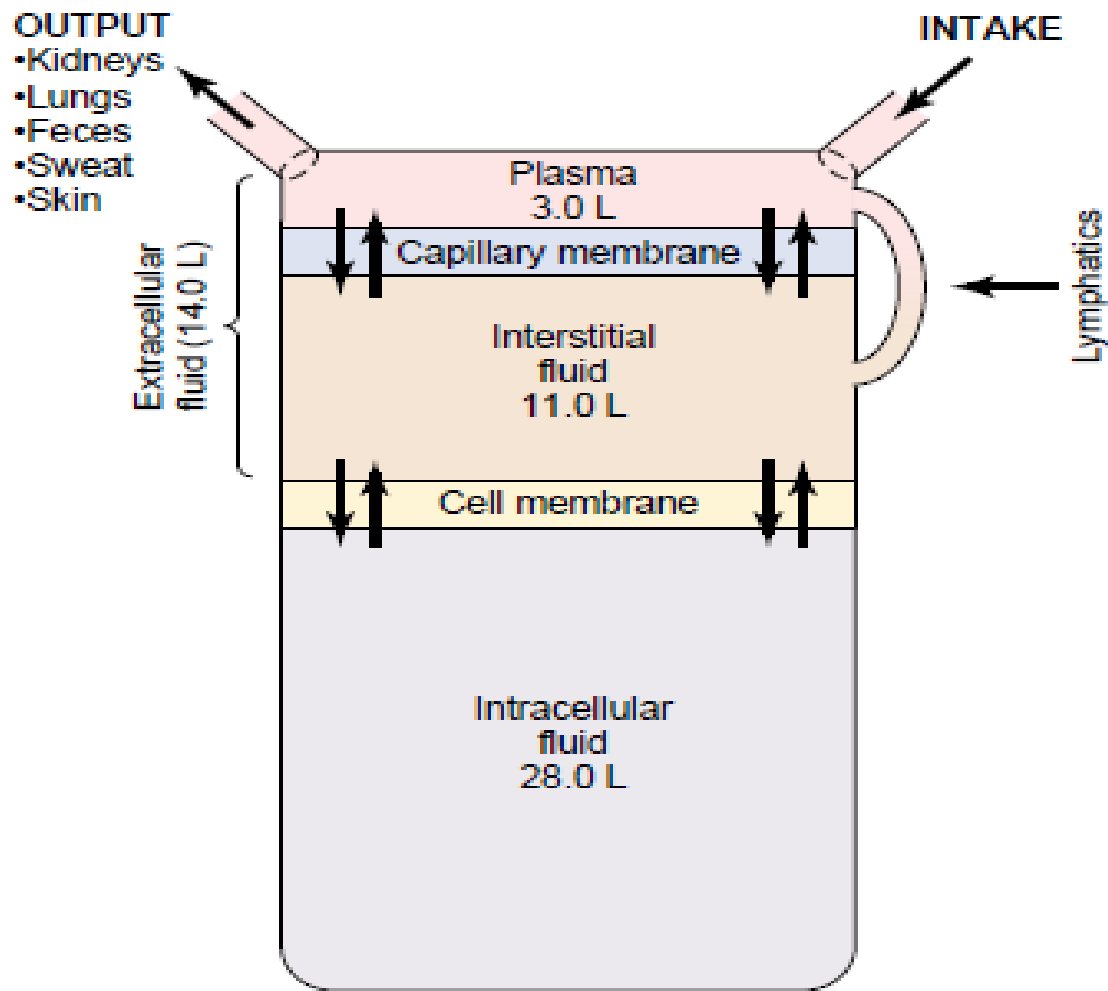


FIGURE 1-2



**Figure 25-1**

Summary of body fluid regulation, including the major body fluid compartments and the membranes that separate these compartments. The values shown are for an average 70-kilogram person.

# VOLUME OF BODY FLUIDS IN 70 kg MAN

**TOTAL VOLUME**

**42 L**

**INTRA CELLULAR FLUID**

**28 L (ROUGHLY 2/3 OF TBW)**

**EXTRA CELLULAR  
FLUID**

**14 L (ROUGHLY 1/3 OF**

**PLASMA**

**3 L (ROUGHLY 1/4 OF ECF)**

# Total Body Water



The diagram illustrates the compartments of body fluid. At the top, a dark green box labeled 'Total Body Water' spans the width of the diagram. Below it, the 'ECF' (Extracellular Fluid) compartment is shown in light blue, containing a pink horizontal bar labeled 'Blood'. Below the ECF is the 'ICF' (Intracellular Fluid) compartment, shown in yellow. The ICF is divided into three sections by two vertical brown bars labeled 'Interstitial'. Each ICF section contains a red box labeled 'ICF'.

ECF

ECF

Blood

ICF

Interstitial

ICF

Interstitial

ICF

# **TOTAL BODY WATER(TBW)**

- **60% OF THE BODY WEIGHT IN  
ADULT MALE**
- **50% OF THE BODY WEIGHT IN  
ADULT FEMALE**



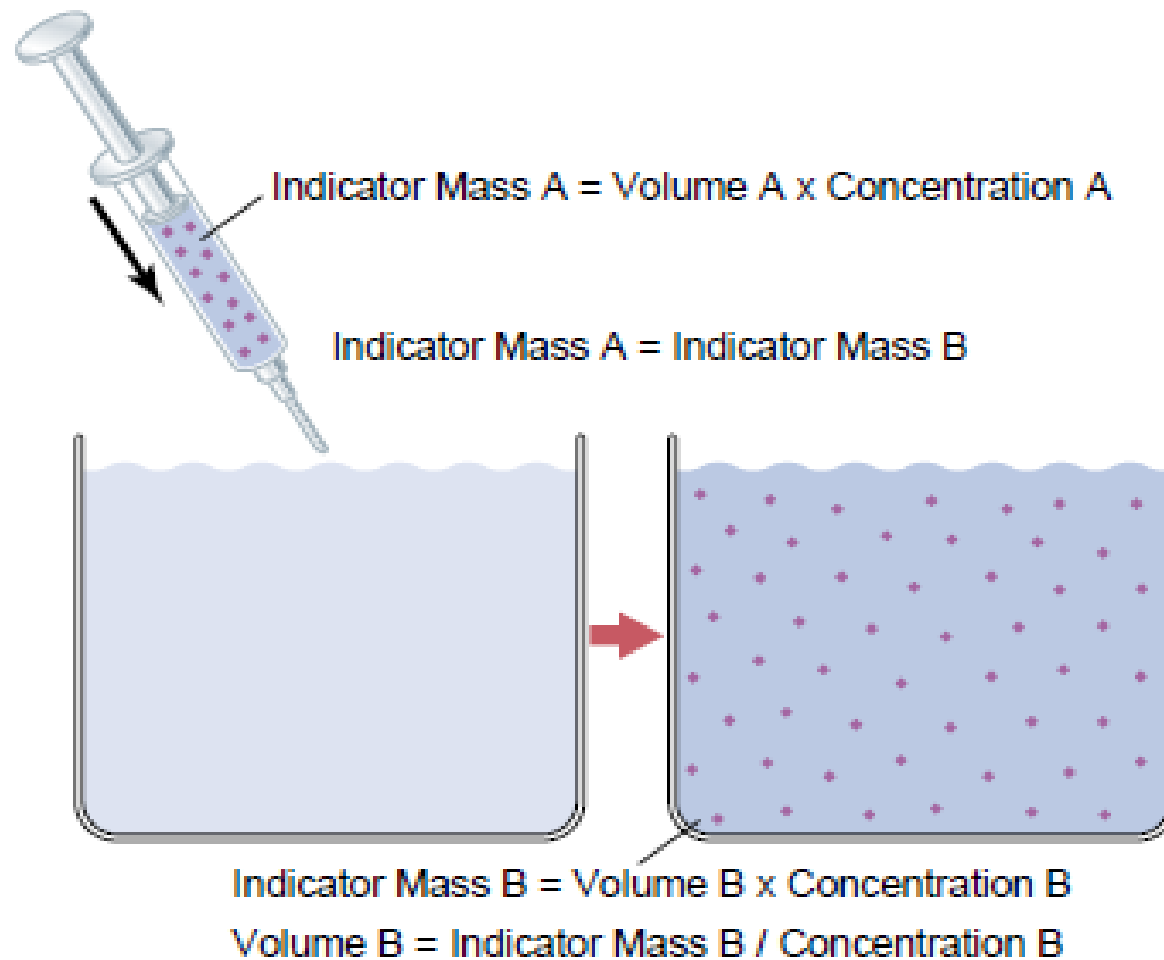
# FACTORS AFFECTING FLUID VARIATIONS

- **Physiological**
  - **Adipose Tissue**
  - **Sex**
  - **Age**
- **Pathological**
  - **Dehydration**
  - **Overhydration**

- **Measurement of Fluid Volumes in the Different Body Fluid Compartments—The Indicator-Dilution Principle**

- “Indicator-dilution” method of measures the volume of a fluid compartment, which is based on the principle of conservation of mass.
- This means that the total mass of a substance after dispersion in the fluid compartment will be the same as the total mass injected into the compartment.

- If none of the substance leaks out of the compartment, the total mass of substance in the compartment ( $\text{Volume B} \times \text{Conc. B}$ ) will equal the total mass of the substance injected ( $\text{Volume A} \times \text{Conc. A}$ ).



**Figure 25-4**

Indicator-dilution method for measuring fluid volumes.

$$\text{Volume B} = \frac{\text{Volume A} \times \text{Concentration A}}{\text{Concentration B}}$$

- (1) the total amount of substance injected into the chamber (the numerator of the equation)  
(2) the concentration of the fluid in the chamber after the substance has been dispersed (the denominator).
- For example, if 1 milliliter of a solution containing 10 mg/ml of dye is dispersed into chamber B and the final concentration in the chamber is 0.01 milligram for each milliliter of fluid, the unknown volume of the chamber can be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Volume B} = \frac{1 \text{ ml} \times 10 \text{ mg/ml}}{0.01 \text{ mg/ml}} = 1000 \text{ ml}$$



- This method can be used to measure the volume of virtually any compartment in the body as long as
- (1) the indicator disperses evenly throughout the compartment.
- (2) the indicator disperses only in the compartment that is being measured.
- (3) the indicator is not metabolized or excreted.

**Table 25–3****Measurement of Body Fluid Volumes**

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<b>Volume</b>	<b>Indicators</b>
Total body water	$^3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , $^2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , antipyrine
Extracellular fluid	$^{22}\text{Na}$ , $^{125}\text{I}$ -iothalamate, thiosulfate, inulin
Intracellular fluid	(Calculated as Total body water – Extracellular fluid volume)
Plasma volume	$^{125}\text{I}$ -albumin, Evans blue dye (T-1824)
Blood volume	$^{51}\text{Cr}$ -labeled red blood cells, or calculated as Blood volume = Plasma volume / (1 – Hematocrit)
Interstitial fluid	(Calculated as Extracellular fluid volume – Plasma volume)

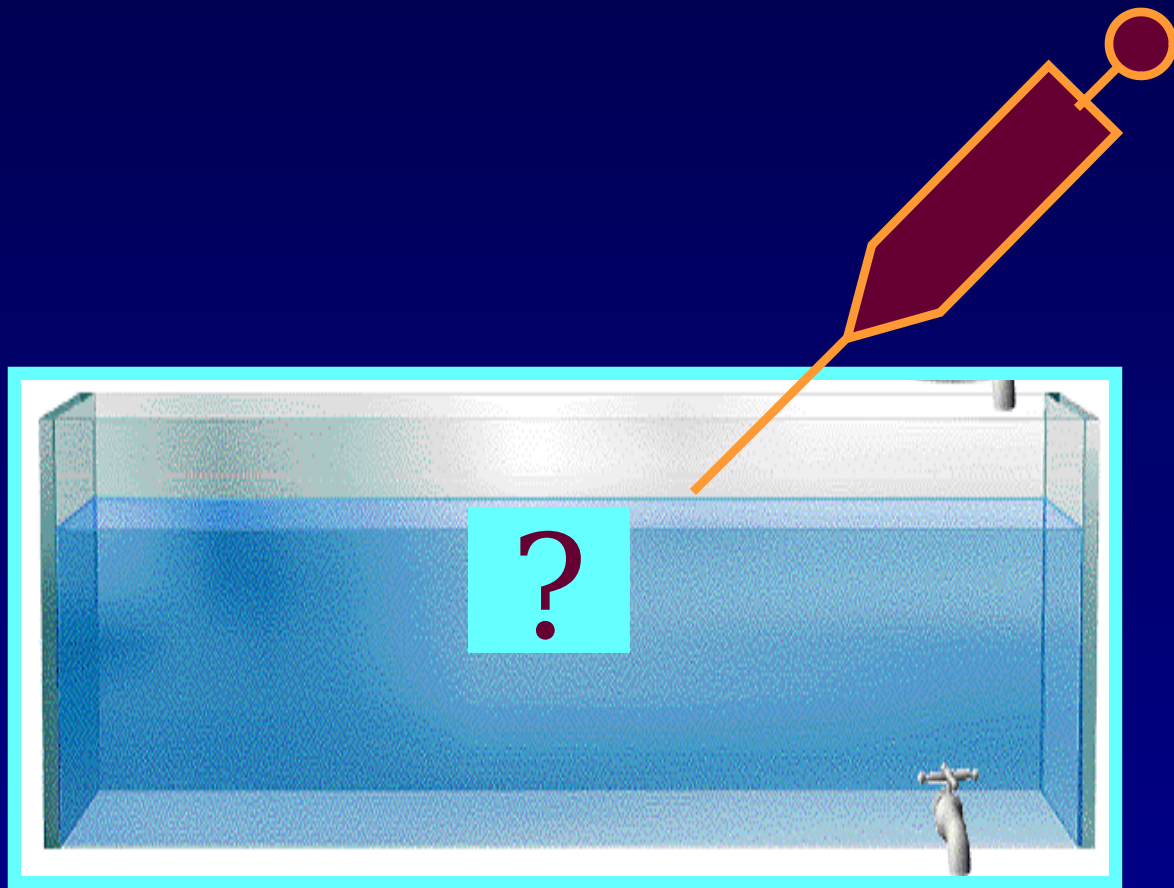
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- **Hematocrit (Packed Red Cell Volume).** The **hematocrit** is the fraction of the blood composed of red blood cells, as determined by centrifuging blood in a “hematocrit tube” until the cells become tightly packed in the bottom of the tube.
- In men, the measured hematocrit is normally about **0.40**, and in women, it is about **0.36**

# **CRITERIA FOR A SUITABLE DYE.**

- **MUST MIX EVENLY THROUGHOUT THE COMPARTMENT**
- **NON TOXIC**
- **MUST HAVE NO EFFECT OF ITS OWN ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF WATER OR OTHER SUBSTANCES IN THE BODY**
- **NOT METABOLIZED OR EXCRETED.**



# Total Body Water



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ECF

ECF

Blood

ICF

Interstitial

ICF

Interstitial

ICF

# VOLUME MEASUREMENT OF VARIOUS FLUIDS COMPARTMENTS

**INTERSTITIAL FLUID**  
**ECF - Plasma Volume**

**INTRACELLULAR FLUID**  
**TBW - ECF**

# VOLUME MEASUREMENT OF VARIOUS FLUIDS COMPARTMENTS

## BLOOD PLASMA.

- EVAN'S BLUE
- RADIOACTIVE LABELED  $^{125}\text{I}$  ALBUMIN

$$\text{Total blood volume} = \frac{\text{Plasma volume}}{1 - \text{Hematocrit}}$$

For example, if plasma volume is 3 liters and hematocrit is 0.40, total blood volume would be calculated as

$$\frac{3 \text{ liters}}{1 - 0.4} = 5 \text{ liters}$$

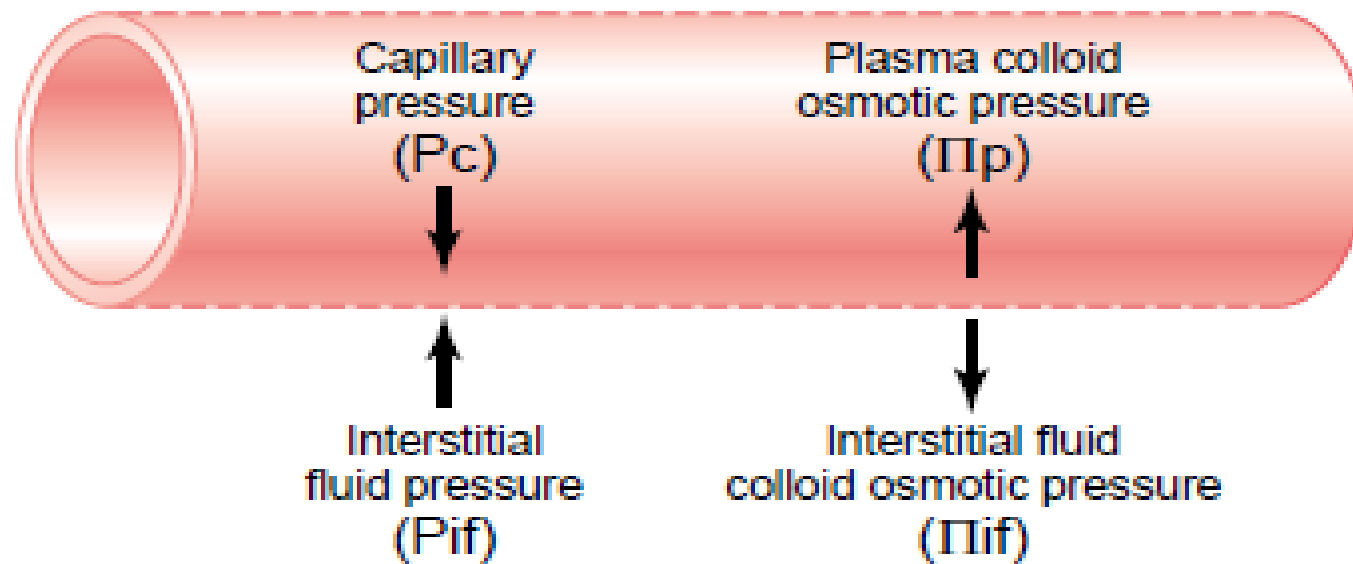
*Hematocrit (the fraction of the total blood volume composed of cells)*



# **Regulation of Fluid Exchange and Osmotic Equilibrium Between Intracellular and Extracellular Fluid**

- In human body a frequent problem in treating seriously ill patients is maintaining adequate fluids in one or both of the intracellular and extracellular compartments.

- The relative amounts of extracellular fluid distributed between the plasma and interstitial spaces are determined mainly by the balance of hydrostatic and colloid osmotic forces across the capillary membranes.



**Figure 16–5**

Fluid pressure and colloid osmotic pressure forces operate at the capillary membrane, tending to move fluid either outward or inward through the membrane pores.

- Hydrostatic pressure drives fluid out of the capillary (i.e., filtration), and is highest at the arteriolar end of the capillary and lowest at the venular end.

- **Colloid osmotic pressure** is just the opposite, and it is exerted by the protein albumin.
- Albumin is normally too large to pass through the capillary walls, so it stays inside the capillaries.
- Albumin pulls fluid towards itself. This effect of albumin is colloid osmotic pressure.
- This keeps too much fluid from leaving the capillaries

- The distribution of fluid between **intracellular** and **extracellular** compartments, in contrast, is determined mainly by the **osmotic effect of the smaller solutes**—especially sodium, chloride, and other electrolytes—acting across the cell membrane

# Basic Principles of Osmosis and Osmotic Pressure

- *Osmosis is the net diffusion of water across a selectively permeable membrane from a region of **high water concentration**(**low solute conc.**) to one that has a **lower water concentration**(**high solute conc.**)*

- Because cell membranes are relatively impermeable to most solutes but highly permeable to water (i.e. selectively permeable), whenever there is a higher concentration of solute on one side of the cell membrane, water diffuses across the membrane toward the region of higher solute concentration.
- If NaCl added to ECF.....?
- If NaCl is removed from



- Total number of particles in a solution is measured in *osmoles*.
  - One osmole (*osm*) is equal to 1 mole (*mol*)( $6.02 \times 10^{23}$ ) of solute particles.
- Therefore
  - a solution containing 1 mole of glucose in each liter has a concentration of 1 osm/L

- If a molecule dissociates into two ions (giving two particles), such as sodium chloride then a solution containing 1 mol/L will have an osmolar concentration of 2 osm/L & VICE VERSA.

- In general, the osmole is too large a unit for expressing osmotic activity of solutes in the body fluids.
- The term *milliosmole (mOsm)*, which equals  $1/1000$  osmole, is commonly used.

# Osmolality and Osmolarity

- The osmolal concentration of a solution is called *osmolality* when the concentration is expressed as *osmoles per kilogram of water*;
- it is called *osmolarity* when it is expressed as *osmoles per liter of solution*.

- About 80 percent of the total osmolarity of the interstitial fluid and plasma is due to sodium and chloride ions, whereas for intracellular fluid, almost half the osmolarity is due to potassium ions and the remainder is divided among many other intracellular substances

- Total osmolarity of each of the three compartments is about **300 mOsm/L (282mOsm/L)**, with the plasma being about 1 mOsm/L greater than that of the interstitial and intracellular fluids. The slight difference between plasma and interstitial fluid is caused by the **osmotic effects of the plasma proteins**

# Osmotic Pressure.

- Osmosis of water molecules across a selectively permeable membrane can be opposed by applying a pressure in the direction opposite that of the osmosis.
- The precise amount of pressure required to prevent the osmosis is called the *osmotic pressure*.

- Osmotic pressure, therefore, is an indirect measurement of the water and solute concentrations of a solution.
- The higher the osmotic pressure of a solution, the lower the water concentration and the higher the solute concentration of the solution.



# Relation Between Osmotic Pressure and Osmolarity

- The osmotic pressure of a solution is directly proportional to the concentration of osmotically active particles in that solution.
- Size :e.g. glucose & albumin.
- Osmotically active particles: NaCl

- Thus, the osmotic pressure of a solution is proportional to its osmolarity, a measure of the concentration of solute particles.

Table 25-2

## Osmolar Substances in Extracellular and Intracellular Fluids

	Plasma (mOsm/L H <sub>2</sub> O)	Interstitial (mOsm/L H <sub>2</sub> O)	Intracellular (mOsm/L H <sub>2</sub> O)
Na <sup>+</sup>	142	139	14
K <sup>+</sup>	4.2	4.0	140
Ca <sup>++</sup>	1.3	1.2	0
Mg <sup>+</sup>	0.8	0.7	20
Cl <sup>-</sup>	108	108	4
HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	24	28.3	10
HPO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> , H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	2	2	11
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	0.5	0.5	1
Phosphocreatine			45
Carnosine			14
Amino acids	2	2	8
Creatine	0.2	0.2	9
Lactate	1.2	1.2	1.5
Adenosine triphosphate			5
Hexose monophosphate			3.7
Glucose	5.6	5.6	
Protein	1.2	0.2	4
Urea	4	4	4
Others	4.8	3.9	10
Total mOsm/L	301.8	300.8	301.2
Corrected osmolar activity (mOsm/L)	282.0	281.0	281.0
Total osmotic pressure at 37°C (mm Hg)	5443	5423	5423

# Isotonic, Hypotonic, and Hypertonic Fluids

- If a cell is placed in a solution of impermeant solutes having an osmolarity of 282 mOsm/L, the cells will not shrink or swell because the water concentration in the intracellular and extracellular fluids is equal and the solutes cannot enter or leave the cell. Such a solution is said to be *isotonic because it neither shrinks nor swells the cells*.

- EXAMPLES

- 0.9 per cent solution of sodium chloride

- ( 0.9percent solution means that there is 0.9 gram of sodium chloride per 100 milliliters of solution, or 9 g/L)

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- 5 per cent glucose solution.

- The tonicity of solutions depends on the concentration of impermeant solutes.

- If a cell is placed into a **hypotonic solution** that has a lower concentration of impermeant solutes ( $<282$  mOsm/L), water will diffuse into the cell, causing it to swell; water will continue to diffuse into the cell, diluting the intracellular fluid while also concentrating the extracellular fluid until both solutions have

- EXAMPLE
- Solutions of NaCl with a concentration of less than 0.9 percent are hypotonic and cause cells to swell

# Isosmotic, Hyperosmotic, and Hypoosmotic Fluids.

- Solutions with an osmolarity the same as the cell are called *isosmotic, regardless* of whether the solute can penetrate the cell membrane.



- The terms *hyperosmotic* and *hypoosmotic* refer to solutions that have a higher or lower osmolarity, respectively, compared with the normal extracellular fluid, without regard for whether the solute permeates the cell membrane.

# Effect of Adding Saline Solution to the Extracellular Fluid

- If an *isotonic saline solution* is added to the extracellular fluid compartment, the osmolarity of the extracellular fluid does not change; therefore, no osmosis occurs through the cell membranes.
- The only effect is an increase in extracellular fluid volume.

- If a *hypertonic solution* is added to the *extracellular* fluid, the extracellular osmolarity increases and causes osmosis of water out of the cells into the extracellular compartment

- The tonicity of solutions depends on the concentration of impermeant solutes

- The net effect is an increase in extracellular volume (greater than the volume of fluid added), a decrease in intracellular volume, and a rise in osmolarity in both compartments.

- If a *hypotonic solution* is added to the *extracellular* fluid, the osmolarity of the extracellular fluid decreases and some of the extracellular water diffuses into the cells until the intracellular and extracellular compartments have the same osmolarity.

# **Glucose and Other Solutions Administered for Nutritive Purposes**

- Many types of solutions are administered intravenously to provide nutrition to people who cannot otherwise take adequate amounts of nutrition. Glucose solutions are widely used

- When these solutions are administered, their concentrations of osmotically active substances are usually adjusted nearly to isotonicity, or they are given slowly enough that they do not upset the osmotic equilibrium of the body fluids